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In re application of

Arnaud HORY et al.

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GROUP 1731

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Examiner C. Fiorilla

FAST PROTOTYPING METHOD BY LASER  
SINTERING OF POWDER AND RELATED  
DEVICE

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Responsive to the final Official Action of December 4,  
2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend claim 13 as follows:

--13. (amended) A process for the rapid prototyping by  
sintering in solid phase, with a laser, of a powder or a mixture  
of powders, comprising the steps of:

1/ obtaining a series of digitized superposed sections  
of an object to be produced, from a three-dimensional  
representation of said object;

2/ spreading the powder or mixture of powders in the  
form of a thin layer;